

1840

Great Britain issued its first
national postage stamps,
the Penny Black &
the Two Pence Blue

20 June 1840

Earthquake at Mt Ararat
Rhod was covered with
debris. A shower of falling rocks
overwhelmed in an instant the
village, the monastery of St. Jacob
and a Kurdish encampment
on the pastures above

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Mining act in England forbade
employment of women or
boys under 10 to underground
work.

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President Morton Van Buren
declared a 10 hour day in
the navy yard at Washington
and in other public works

Ship-builders generally
Adopted a 10 hour day.

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U. S. Area 2059043 sq mi

Population 17,069,453

Debt less Cash in Treas \$3,573,344

Oct. 8, 1840

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William I of Holland
abdicated in favor of his
son, William II

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Chicago with population of 4,470
ranked fifth in American
cities

July 2, 1840

Mt Ararat (Great Ararat) erupted. Village of A HORA disappeared. - also its monastery of St. Jacob which had stood for eight centuries. Only two hundred out of 2000 inhabitants survived.

The present village of Adara was probably built on top of debris

that buried the rigid

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~~Jerusalem~~

Ottoman Turks return to power

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1799-1850

Honoré de Balzac

A celebrated French novelist.

He classes his works under the title
of La Comédie Humaine, which, while
encompasses groups in the several novels
over two thousand characters. His
writings are published in 24 volumes
of fiction separately the "Human Comedy"
"Droll Stories" "Drama" "Correspondence"
"Letters to Madame Hanska" "Youthful

works "